Frequently Asked Questions about OHRV use in Berlin, NH

Can I still drive an OHRV on Berlin streets when the State of NH closes their trail system during mud season?

No, when the State of NH deems it necessary to close the trail system due to conditions related to mud season, OHRV's are NOT allowed on City streets until the State re-opens the trail system. This typically occurs around May 23rd. Information about the exact date each year will be posted on both the website for the NH Bureau of Trails and the City of Berlin. http://www.nhstateparks.org/experience/atving/trail-information.aspx www.berlinnh.gov

Can I drive an OHRV on City Streets after 10PM?

No, City Streets are closed to OHRV traffic after 10PM and do not reopen to OHRV traffic until 6AM – unless authorized by the City Council during special events.

Can I leave my residence to go to a local business and/or access the City OHRV Connector Trail?

Yes, it is permissible to leave directly from your residence to access businesses within the City of Berlin as well as directly access the City OHRV Connector Trail. It is not permitted during mud season.

Can I drive an OHRV on a City street/roadway at a speed of more than 30 miles per hour?

No, it is not permissible to travel on any street or roadway in the City of Berlin at a speed greater than 30 miles per hour. OHRV's are prohibited from traveling outside the limits of the City's urban compact or where the speed limit is greater than 30 miles per hour.

Do I need to have a working headlight and taillight to operate an OHRV on City Streets?

Yes, it is illegal to operate an OHRV on City streets without a working headlight or taillight.

Can I ride an OHRV in the break down lane or shoulder area of City streets?

No, you must operate an OHRV in the normal paved travel lane.

Can I ride an OHRV alongside another OHRV in the travel lane?

No, riders must operate single file in traffic like any other motor vehicle.

***Finally – it is important to note that all motor vehicle laws must be obeyed when operating on City roadways. No person under the age of 18 shall operate or be a passenger in any OHRV within the State of NH without wearing eye protection and protective headgear, which meets or exceeds the specifications of Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards. The Berlin Police Department will take a zero-tolerance approach in enforcing all motor vehicle laws related to OHRV use.